

# Community Plan Update

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# Why an update now?

Cities and towns in Arizona are required by state law to have a "general plan" or community plan, and to update it at least every ten years.

This plan is a general policy document containing the community's goals and objectives. Sedona's plan guides city officials in decisions on development such as re-zonings, preparing new regulations and ordinances, initiating specific planning programs, priorities and funding.

#### We want your input

Public participation is key to the update process. There will be many opportunities over the next two years for people to provide input. Residents, community groups, city commissions, and the City Council will work together to identify key issues and concerns, and to formulate policies and recommendations to address the issues. Check the city's website <a href="http://www.sedonaaz.gov/planUpdate">www.sedonaaz.gov/planUpdate</a> for meeting dates and to view the current Community plan document.

### What do <u>vou</u> think is the most important issue for Sedona?

You are invited to an overview presentation on the update of Sedona's Community Plan. You will also have an opportunity to discuss the issues that are most important to you.

#### Come to the following meetings:

Monday, May 10, 6pm: Sedona Red Rock High School 995 Upper Red Rock Loop Road

Tuesday, May 11, 1pm: Keep Sedona Beautiful Pushmataha Bldg. 360 Brewer Road

> Thursday, May 13, 6pm: St. Andrew's Episcopal Church 100 Arroyo Pinon Drive

# Other ways to get involved

Attend P&Z meetings

Attend meetings of the Planning and Zoning Commission on the third Tuesday of each month.

Attend Community Development Working Team meetings throughout the month; see the website for dates, times and locations.

#### Check the website

Go to www.sedonaaz.gov/planUndate for community meeting dates throughout the process, to make comments, and for other timely information.

Be sure to check the website regularly.

#### Write or call:

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#### Issues from prior Update (2002)

During the last update of our Community Plan, the top five issues raised by the public were:

- Widening State Highway 179
- Open space and National Forest
- · Community character and local needs
- Lodging and timeshares
- Environment

#### Issues identified so far for this Update

- More user-friendly and streamlined document
- Develop a prioritized Action Plan
- Sustainability
- Housing
- Annexation policy
- Character of West Sedona commercial corridor

## Timeline for the Update process

March 2010: Gather background information City Council initiates Update process.

April-November 2010: Identify issues Begin community outreach. Identify community issues & priorities.

December 2010 to June 2011: Draft the plan Draft recommendations to address key issues.

July to Dec. 2011: Public hearings & adoption Draft Plan for review. Planning & Zoning Commission public hearings. City Council work sessions & public hearings. Plan adoption by Council.

May 2012: Community votes on the Plan

# Current conditions — A Sedona Snapshot

Land area = 19 square miles; 49% is National Forest land.

Population = 11,436 (as of July 2009)

Growth = 1.2% per year from 2001-2009.

Residential land: 71 percent is built out.

Commercial & Lodging: 83 percent built out.

Future conditions: As currently zoned, the City's residential land will support a population of about 16,300. By 2020, residential lands will be 80% built out; commercial lands will be 98% built out.